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## SHOOTING AT ISOLINE

Deputy Houston Henry Shoots Man and Woman While Arresting Them.

Friday a shooting scrape took place at Isoline which resulted in Herbert Whittaker and Margaret Neeley both being shot with fine shot by Deputy Houston Henry, when they resisted arrest.

It seems that Whittaker and the woman came to Isoline from Monterey and as Whittaker was drunk and rowdy he began shooting up things generally. He fired one or more shots in the post-office and run most of these present away.

Deputy Sheriff Henry gave his pistol to Whittaker by mistaking him for an officer, when Whittaker came out of the store and remarked: "He is in there, give me your pistol and I will bring him out." Deputy Henry quickly saw his mistake and tried to get the pistol from Whittaker, but he refused to give it up and started toward the mine tippie a quarter or half mile away.

Deputy Henry secured a double-barrelled shot-gun which was loaded with fine shot. He summoned James Tabor to assist him in arresting Whittaker and the woman. Mr. Tabor had buckshot in his gun. As they neared the tippie the Neeley woman saw them and spoke to Whittaker, who at once opened fire on the officers. Deputy Henry fired and staggered Whittaker who was shooting at him with a pistol. He fired a second time and knocked Whittaker down, the shot hitting him in the face and breast. The woman attempted to protect Whittaker by getting in front of him and was hit in the right arm with the shot, but not seriously hurt. She afterwards stated that had she not been shot in the right arm she would have taken a hand in the shooting also, which she doubtless would have done as she was found to have a 32-calibre pistol when searched.

James Tabor snapped both barrels of his gun at Whittaker, but neither fired; had the gun fired Whittaker would almost surely have been killed. As it was Mr. Tabor finally made Whittaker cease trying to shoot by presenting the gun at him and it threatening instant death unless Whittaker ceased shooting.

They were both brought to town Friday night and were tried before Esq. O. B. Rector Saturday. Whittaker was bound to court in the sum of \$5,250 and the woman \$250. Neither will likely be able to make bond.

It seems that Whittaker is a bad character of several years standing. It is charged that he killed the marshal at Monterey two or three years ago and that he is now wanted on bonds that he has forfeited in Putnam county.

The woman is said to be a very bad character. She is about 24 years of age and seems thoroughly hardened and lost to all sense of good behavior.

## CONVENTION CALL.

The republicans of Cumberland county are hereby called to meet in mass convention in the court house, Crossville, Tenn., at 11 a. m., Saturday, March 27, for the purpose of instructing for two delegates and two alternates to the republican national convention to be held in Chicago, Ill., June 8, to instruct for one elector for this congressional district, to name delegates to the congressional convention for the Fourth district to be held at Cookeville, Tenn., at 10 o'clock a. m. Monday, March 29, delegates to the state convention, that convenes in Chattanooga, April 14, and transact such other business as may properly come before said mass convention.

This February 17, 1920.

A. L. Garrison, Chairman,  
S. C. Bishop, Secretary.

## CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The congressional convention for this district is called to meet in Cookeville, at 10 a. m. Monday, March 29. This county is entitled to five votes.

## ACTIVE PREPARATION

Devil Step Hollow Tract Will See Things Humming Very Shortly.

E. P. Melvin, of Waldensia, has been engaged to direct the work of marketing the timber from the Devil Step Hollow 3,000-acre tract mentioned in these columns last week as having been purchased by him and Chattanooga parties. Mr. Melvin has had large experience in handling timber in this section and as it has been one of his strong points that he is able to handle men and get along with them pleasantly, it would seem that he is the right man for the work assigned him.

Saturday five teams of splendid mules were unloaded here and will be used by Mr. Melvin in handling the timber property. A little later large trucks will be sent here to be used in hauling the lumber and ties of the railroad from the mills.

The enterprise is backed by the Paxton Lumber Company, of Bristol who is a \$200,000 concern and has ample means at command to handle the job in the most profitable way. They are going to require a large number of men for their work in the woods, at the mills, handling and nailing ties and lumber. Owing to the great demand for labor the coming summer wages are sure to be good.

This company have other important projects in mind that they are not ready to make known until certain details are completed, but the indications are that much more will be heard from this company along the line of development in this county, but we are not now at liberty to mention it now.

## ANOTHER BIG TRACT.

Arthur D. Woody has purchased 7,100 acres of what is known as the Dunn timber tract and began work getting out ties and lumber Monday or at any rate that was his plan last week.

The tract of timber lies near Isoline and will be shipped from that point. Up to the present more than 85,000 acres of timber, in this county and the edge of adjoining counties has been sold within the past few months. This does not include the numerous small tracts belonging to individuals. All are hoping to get actively into the market with their output from now on for the next several years. Several have been working for almost a year while others have been working only a few weeks or are preparing to start.

If Cumberland county does not see this year, signs are very deceptive.

## Lacquer Secret Well Kept.

The Japanese have succeeded in keeping the knowledge of their famous lacquer a national secret. A great number of native workmen are familiar with the details, but especial care is taken to prevent any foreigner from securing any information about lacquer except that which is of the most general nature and of no value to one who desires to engage in its manufacture. Its basis is the simple sap of a tree, but as lacquer, when applied to wood or metal, it is quite indestructible. A coat of lacquer is proof against alcohol, against boiling water, against almost all known agencies. The lacquer tree of Japan is very large. It is always cut down at the age of forty years, as thereafter it begins to dry up. Each tree yields on its demolition about six barrels of lacquer sap.

## Mark of Egotism.

Boastfulness is by no means the only way in which egotism is revealed. There are numerous little telltale signs, knowledge of which is distinctly useful in social and business relations.

An egotist, for example, is commonly a poor listener in a conversation. Because of undue eagerness to express his ideas he is prone to interrupt anybody who may be speaking. Whether he assent or dissent from what is being said, he finds it hard to let the speaker finish.

Often this is charitably ascribed to mere lack of good manners, overenthusiasm or a nervous uneasiness. But nine times out of ten egotism is at the bottom of it.

## CLAXTON TO MAKE PLEA FOR "KIDS"

U. S. Commissioner of Education at Nashville Conference

Nashville, Tenn. — (Special.) — Dr. F. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education, will speak at the Southern Christian Citizenship Conference which meets here during the week of March 7-12, according to telegraphic information received here by Dr. James I. Vance, chairman of the conference program committee. Dr. Claxton is a native Tennessean, well known throughout the entire country for his work in the cause of education. His subject will be "Making the World a Better Place for Children."

Gov. A. O. Eberhart of Minnesota has also accepted a place on the program. While governor of Minnesota, Gov. Eberhart made a splendid record, exemplifying the Christian official in public life.

Both Dr. Claxton and Gov. Eberhart will prove strong additions to the already weighty list of notable men and women who are booked for places on the program.

## WILL TELL LABOR'S PART WITH CAPITAL

Nashville, Tenn. — (Special.) — Gov. John J. Cornwell, chief executive of West Virginia and one of the most popular orators in the entire country, has accepted an invitation to speak at the Southern Christian Citizenship Conference which meets here at the Ryman auditorium during the week of March 7-12.

Gov. Cornwell will come to Nashville, fresh from a speaking tour in New York. He will speak before the conference on "A Square Deal for Capital and Labor." Gov. Cornwell's coming is of especial interest to Nashvilleans in that he is a warm personal friend of Dr. David H. Scanlon, pastor of the Moore Memorial Presbyterian church here. While in the city he will visit Dr. Scanlon.

Other speakers announced today by the conference committee on program, of which Dr. James I. Vance is chairman, are: Dr. James S. McGraw, of Pittsburgh, a brilliant speaker, who will deliver an address on "Christian Americanization — Americanization Worth While," and also on "Uncle Sam, the Fighting Parson;" Mrs. W. C. Winsborough, of the woman's auxiliary of the Presbyterian church, and Y. C. James Jen, president of the Chinese Student Christian Democracy Association. Mr. Yen is one of the most highly educated Chinese students now in America and his address before the Christian Citizenship Conference will deal with problems in the Orient as affecting and affected by the events and problems of the entire world.

## NOTED EDUCATOR ON "AMERICANISM"

Nashville, Tenn. — (Special.) — Dr. Alfred Hume, dean of the college of arts at the University of Mississippi, former Nashville man and brother of Leland Hume of this city, will deliver one of the main addresses on the six-day program of the Southern Christian Citizenship Conference which meets here March 7-12. Announcement was made today of Dr. Hume's acceptance of the invitation to speak before the great gathering on the subject of "Americanism." Dr. Hume is well-known here. He received his early education in the public schools of this city, of which his grandfather, the late Prof. Alfred Hume, was the founder and to whose memory a monument has been erected and now stands in the lawn of the Hume-Fogg high school at the corner of Eighth avenue and Broadway here. Dr. Hume is a graduate of Vanderbilt university and is one of the foremost scholars and educators in the South. There is nothing foreign about him and he is more than well qualified to speak on "Americanism."

John Barret, director general of the Pan-American Union of Washington, D. C., will also speak at the conference on the subject: "The Federation of Nations." Mr. Barret has long been identified with the activities of the nations in South and Latin-America and his work in the past few years has

## FROM FORMER RESIDENT.

E. E. Proctor Gives Interesting Notes Touching Home Folks.

A recent letter from Edward E. Proctor, son of J. M. Proctor, deceased, gives some interesting information touching the family in general. We quote from the letter:

"I wish to thank you for the kindly words of praise that you bestowed in your notice of father's death recently.

Father was not ill but a short period. He died peacefully conscious. He was ready and willing to go to meet his Heavenly Father. Father, like the rest of us, had his faults and shortcomings. He knew this and fought them with his might. I failed to see him in his last illness and a telegram misinterpreted prevented my being present at the burial.

I was down home last summer and saw all the folks. I had not seen father in seven years. He was well and hearty than. Mother has aged fast the past few years. She will visit Tennessee this summer. I am 41 today. The past twenty years have gone sailing to me.

I have one sister, Mrs. Clara Oliver, in Washington, D. C. One sister, Mrs. Jessie Howell, Danville, Va. One sister, Mrs. Minnie Neel, Salisbury, N. C. My brother, William, is superintendent of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, located in Lincolnton, N. C. We are all scattered you see.

I am with one of the prominent private detective agencies of the world. Headquarters here in Philadelphia, Pa. I have made good with them. Was with them through the war and was retained in the service. I have some exciting, as well as funny, experiences, in the different jobs assigned me. I rather like the work; very fascinating in a way.

We have had very little winter, but lots of snow. The influenza is raging here again. My wife is now down with it. Remember me to friends and former associates. With kindest regards for you and your family."

Some of our people will remember Mr. Proctor was for several years a clerk in the postoffice at Philadelphia, but when the war came on he took training at an army camp and but for certain physical defects would have become an army officer.

been devoted largely to the promotion of a closer union between the countries of North and South America and the peninsula.

Other speakers announced today are E. L. Powell, pastor of the First Christian church of Louisville, and Dunbar H. Ogden of Louisville. The former will speak at the conference on "The Newer Message of Democracy," while the latter's subject will be "The Sabbath and the State."

## CONFERENCE DRAWS RENOWNED SPEAKERS.

Nashville, Tenn. — (Special.) — Mile. J. Merle d'Aubigne, grand-daughter of the great French historian of the Reformation, was announced today as one of the speakers for the great Southern Christian Citizenship Conference which will be held in Nashville, March 7-12. Two others who have accepted invitations are ex-Senator Frank J. Cannon, of Utah, and Dr. Joseph W. Kemp, of Scotland.

Mile. d'Aubigne will speak on "Alcohol and the War in France." Senator Cannon will speak on anti-Mormonism.

## Object Lesson in Thrift.

An ingenious professor of mathematics has figured out that one cent invested at the beginning of the Christian era (1,919 years ago) at a rate of interest equal to the government Liberty bonds, that is, 4 1/2 per cent, with interest compounded to date, would make 100,000 globes of solid gold, each the weight of the earth. The earth weighs six and twenty-one eighths tons. But the 1 cent, with its accumulations, reduced to a minimum weight in gold at the rate of \$20 in the ounce, would, he says, make 100,000 planets of the earth's weight! The moral is: Save the pennies! — Omaha News.

## NAVAL RECRUIT DIES

Paul Dayton, Enlisted for "Tennessee," Succumbs to Pneumonia.

As stated in these columns last week Wm. Dayton was called to Hampton Roads Tuesday of last week by a telegram notifying him of the serious illness of his son, Paul, with pneumonia. When Mr. Dayton arrived at Hampton Roads he found that his son was a short distance from there, at the Virginia Beach rifle range. He was with his son two days before death, which occurred Friday morning at 3:46.

The remains arrived here on the early train Monday morning and as a courtesy the train stopped at the Smith crossing west of town, the closest point to the Dayton home, and the remains were taken off there. The funeral was held in the Baptist church Monday at one o'clock, conducted by Rev. J. H. Snow, after which the remains were converted to the city cemetery attended by the sorrowing relatives and many sympathetic friends, and tenderly laid to rest.

The young man was 18 years of age the 29th of last October and enlisted as one of the crew of the great super dreadnaught "Tennessee," which is soon to go into commission. Ever since he was sixteen years of age the boy had a desire join the navy and see foreign countries. He was a kindly disposed lad, industrious and much liked by those who knew him best. Had he been spared he doubtless would have acquitted himself in such a manner as to have reflected very creditably for himself and our country.

The deepest sympathy goes out to the sorrowing family, especially, since it is remembered that they passed through the deep sorrow of having one daughter killed and another crippled for life in a terrible wreck when a Tennessee Central train struck an auto loaded with seven persons, five of whom were killed, a few years ago.

Mr. Dayton was so worn out and exhausted when he reached home that he had to take his bed. While he is not regarded as in a dangerous condition, it will probably be several days before he will be able to be up.

## AGED CITIZEN PASSES

Absalom Davis Died Near Winesap, Monday, February 9, Aged 86.

Absalom Davis, aged 86 years, 8 months and 11 days, father of Cumberland Davis, died at his home near Winesap, Monday night, February 9, after an illness of a few weeks. Death was due to advanced age.

In the passing of Absalom Davis our county loses an old citizen, a man of long years of honest industry and peaceful toil and one who always stood for law and order and industry. His forebears came from Virginia by the way of North Carolina and East Tennessee.

He was a man of marked industry and spent 62 years of his life on the farm where he died and the remains were buried within three hundred yards of his home. His wife died 28 years ago but they had a family of ten children, seven of whom are still living, the oldest being Cumberland Davis a merchant and farmer of the Winesap neighborhood and recognized as an excellent citizen.

During the life time of the deceased he had never been farther from home than Nashville and only once there. He was one of the old landmarks of this county that are fast being gathered to the great beyond.

## TO THE PUBLIC.

After being solicited by many of my republican friends I have decided to make the race for sheriff. I promise if elected to give a clean, honest and impartial service to the people without fear or favor to any one. Upon these grounds I solicit the vote and support of all the voters of the county. Very respectfully,  
Geo. W. Walker.

J. T. Horn was home from Sparta for the week-end visiting his family.